

State News for NSPE Members

Save the Date: West Virginia Construction & Design Expo



The **West Virginia Construction & Design Expo** will be held **March 22–23**, at the Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center in the heart of downtown Charleston, West Virginia. This is the region's largest trade show for construction & design industries! [Learn more.](#)

State Licensing Board Meeting

The [West Virginia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers](#) will hold its next meeting on **Wednesday, November 16**, at the board's office in Charleston. Access the board meeting information [here](#).

West Virginia, Virginia Legislators Discuss Nuclear Power Generation

Lawmakers from West Virginia and Virginia met recently to discuss the implementation of nuclear energy production in West Virginia, where the prohibition of the energy source was knocked down in the 2022 legislative session, [West Virginia News reports](#).

West Virginia House of Delegates Speaker Roger Hanshaw spoke with Virginia Speaker of the House Todd Gilbert to discuss how Virginia's experience with small modular reactors can be informative to the Mountain State.

"...Just as we locked arms with our border states to the north on shale gas development, we believe we are uniquely situated to collaborate to lead the way in this emerging economy, and so together we are putting a serious focus on doing just that in the coming year," Hanshaw was quoted. He feels the two states could become an "East Coast hub" for SMR Technology.

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the [NSPE Advocacy Center](#).

Mark Your Calendar for Engineers Week 2023

Founded by NSPE in 1951, [Engineers Week](#) (February 19–25, 2023) is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce. The latest theme for Engineers Week seeks to inspire the next generation by celebrating all the way engineers are **Creating the Future!** Engineers play a vital role in innovating solutions to global challenges that impact future generations. By working together to develop new technologies, products, and opportunities, engineers create new possibilities that make the world a better place.



Engineers Week is a time for you to:

- Celebrate how engineers make a difference in our world.
- Add your voice to the conversation about the need for engineers, technicians, and technologists.
- Engage students in engineering.

[Access promotional resources.](#)

DiscoverE Outreach Grants

Don't miss your chance to fund your events for Engineers Week and Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day.

There are \$250-\$1000 grants available:

- [Bell Girl Day grants](#) for girl-centered programs
- [Engineers Week grants](#) for underserved students

The deadline to [apply for the grants](#) is November 4.



Workability Wednesdays Webinars

The fall series of [Workability Wednesdays webinars](#) recently launched with a webinar on [What Separates Good Engineers From Great Engineers](#). The series is free for NSPE members and covers topics impacting the industry and helps to enhance your competencies in the profession.



Upcoming Webinars

- [How Blockchain Protects Public Safety: A Working Solution](#) (October 26)
- [Navigating the Ethical Dilemmas that Arise in Everyday Engineering Practice](#) (November 16)

If you missed the spring lineup of Workability Wednesdays webinars, you can still [view the recordings](#) and receive PDH credit.

Last Call for FEYA Nominations

Nominations for the Federal Engineer of the Year Award are open until **October 31**. The award, sponsored by the Professional Engineers in Government, honors engineers employed by a federal agency that employs at least 50 engineers worldwide.

The FEYA ceremony is scheduled for February 24, 2023, at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. Tickets will be available for sale in January.

Nominations must be made by the federal agency. Access the application [here](#).



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